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For: Beam End Weld Preparation

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- ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney.
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- X Applicant claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/424,082, filed November 5, 2002 for *Weld Preparation*; and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/463,898, filed 4/16/03 for *Beam End Weld Component Preparation*

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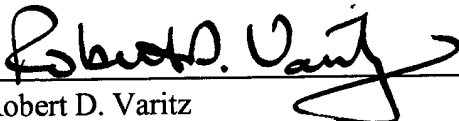
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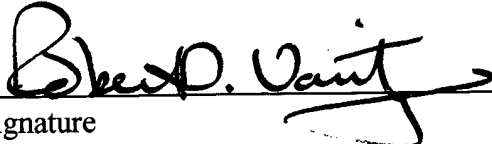
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